

RECOGNIZING S. MARTINELLI &
COMPANY

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Mr. PANETTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize S. Martinelli & Company, a family owned and operated business located in Watsonville, California, as they celebrate their 150th anniversary. Over the past century and a half, Martinelli's has become a household name across the United States and around the world, known for producing the highest quality sparkling cider and apple juice.

Founded in 1868, Martinelli's has persevered through two World Wars, Prohibition, the Great Depression, and an increasingly globalized marketplace. Despite having faced radically changing environments and numerous challenges, Martinelli's never altered its mission to produce juices made from one hundred percent U.S. grown, hand-picked apples, with no chemical preservatives or sweeteners.

Though Martinelli's has adopted technological advances over the years to improve and preserve their fresh apple flavors, they remain committed to historical traditions of washing, hand-sorting, and freshly pressing each apple. Martinelli's distinctive and crisp flavor comes from their time-honored blend of locally grown Newtown Pippin, Gala, Fuji, Granny Smith, Jonagold, Mutsu and Honeycrisp apples. John Martinelli, fourth generation family member and CEO of S. Martinelli & Company, tastes every batch of juice produced to ensure its quality meets company standards.

Martinelli's is a Certified Green Company devoted to employing sustainable practices such as recycling, water and energy conservation, and land preservation. Martinelli's also works closely with local and regional growers to ensure that their products are made with the freshest apples available in the Western U.S. In addition to their focus on environmental sustainability, Martinelli's is developing new organic orchards in order to increase production of certified organic juices. These initiatives represent Martinelli's dedication to preserving and expanding the heritage of apple orchards in Pajaro Valley, while enhancing the beauty of the area.

We are fortunate to have a family run company like Martinelli's call the central coast of California home for four generations. Their devotion to quality of product, sustainability, tradition, and community health is unrivaled and has enormously benefited our community. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to recognize S. Martinelli & Company for 150 years of excellence in producing apple juice and sparkling cider.

RECENT ATTACKS AGAINST
ISRAEL

HON. NORMA J. TORRES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Mrs. TORRES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my concern regarding the recent attacks on Israel at two of its borders. On

Israel's Northern border, Syrian drones crossed into Israeli airspace; on Israel's Southern border, Hamas launched more than 200 rockets and mortars from the Gaza Strip. One rocket hit a home; another landed in the courtyard of a Synagogue. These attacks are appalling and unnecessary provocations on Israel. The damage they are doing to Israel is real and should be not only measured in terms of property destroyed, but also the sense of insecurity that Israelis experience every day. This is not the path to peace.

I can only imagine the terror and anxiety that we would feel if the United States were attacked at both our borders in a single week. We are fortunate to have good diplomatic and security relations with all our neighbors. Sadly, our close ally Israel does not have the same luxury. I am reminded of my visit to Israel in 2012, at a time when the country was also under attack. I am inspired today, as I was then, by the resolve of the Israeli communities that live across the border from Gaza and Syria. These communities refuse to cower in fear, despite the constant threat of attack. Their reliance is a testament to the spirit of the Israeli people, which we see manifested in so many ways, such as Israel's economic leadership the fields of science, technology, and energy.

The United States must continue to stand with Israel. We must work with our allies to curb the aggressive actions of Iran and its proxies, and we must renew our efforts to bring about a resolution of the conflict in Syria, which has allowed Iran to expand its military presence in Syria. At the same time, we must recommit ourselves to supporting a just and lasting peace between Israel and the Palestinians.

PUNISHING CONTINUED
OCCUPATION OF UKRAINE ACT

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce a bill sanctioning Russia for its continued occupation of Ukraine. This bill sends a strong signal by going after Russian financial institutions, which are one of the few soft areas of Russian President Vladimir Putin's underbelly.

On February 27, 2014, Russia invaded and occupied Ukraine's Crimea region. Russia continues to ignore the Minsk Agreement and sanctions to date have failed to alter President Putin's calculations regarding Crimea and eastern Ukraine.

Putin's regime relies on several large financial institutions to implement its policies and keep the regime afloat. That is why I am introducing a bill to impose sanctions on Russian financial institutions.

Russia's continued occupation of Ukraine is intolerable and continued aggression and violation of international norms is unacceptable. Congress must use every tool available to change President Vladimir Putin's behavior.

I want to urge my colleagues to pass this important bill.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BILL HUIZENGA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Mr. HUIZENGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today regarding missed votes due to a flight delay. Had I been present for roll call vote number 329, H.R. 4946 to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1075 North Tustin Street in Orange, California, as the "Specialist Trevor A. Win'E Post Office", I would have voted Yea. Had I been present for roll call vote number 330, H.R. 4960 to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 511 East Walnut Street in Columbia, Missouri, as the "Sp. Sterling William Wyatt Post Office Building", I would have voted Yea.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED
AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS
ACT, 2019

SPEECH OF

HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 17, 2018

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 6147) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes:

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Chair, I rise today in support of the Interior and Environment and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. I applaud Chairman CALVERT and his staff, along with Ranking Member MCCOLLUM and her team for crafting a responsible bill.

As a former chairman of this subcommittee, I know firsthand the challenges assembling this bill presents. There are diverse views across the United States on how our public lands and environment should be managed. For those of us that represent states with high percentages of federal lands—more than 60 percent in Idaho—you would be hard pressed to find a more important bill in Congress.

The bill before us today addresses the most important issues in Idaho. Perhaps most pressing is the need to adequately fund wildfire suppression and prevention. If you look at the National Interagency Fire Center (NIFC) outlook map, it indicates that almost my entire district is at an increased fire threat during July and August. Sadly, this has been the new normal.

The bill under consideration today addresses this by fully funding the 10 year average for wildfire suppression and provides an additional \$500 million to combat this growing threat. It also provides increased funding for prevention efforts. Next year, relief is on the way in the form of my Wildfire Disaster Funding Act, which will treat catastrophic fires like natural disasters. This will set us on a path to reduce the threat of wildfires and allow land managers to do the prevention work without their resources being stolen to fight fires.

The bill also contains many other important provisions:

Provides Funding for PILT that is vitally important in Idaho for rural counties that depend on it.

Establishes certainty for biomass which is critical to the landscape of our forests.

Rolls back regulations like the previous Administration's "Waters of the United States" rule.

Provides increased funding to address the \$12 billion backlog in to our National Parks.

Provides \$2.6 billion for the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Loan fund, which states and localities use for water infrastructure projects.

The list goes on, but the underlying point is the Interior and Environment bill is a critical piece of legislation, especially for those of us in western states. I want to reiterate my appreciation to Chairman CALVERT and his staff of Dave LesStrang, Darren Benjamin, Betsy Bina, Jaclyn Kilroy, Kristin Richmond, Ian Foley, and Mac Cloyes. Their late nights and early mornings have produced a product that members of Congress, particularly in the west, should be proud of.

I urge my colleagues to support this measure.

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SPEECH OF

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. POE of Texas. Madam Chair, I would like to thank Chairman CALVERT for his great work on this bill, and my colleague Mr. OLSON for his support of this amendment.

My amendment would simply reduce the National Recreation and Preservation account by \$20 million, and then increase it by the same amount with the intent of using these funds to increase the budget of the National Maritime Heritage grant program.

This program provides federal funding for local and state operated maritime educational exhibits and preservation projects.

The United States has a rich history of maritime excellence that has played an important role in the U.S. becoming the powerful nation that it is today.

It is important that we preserve these great ships rather than let them fall into disrepair.

It is an insult to their legacy to let them sink rather than help them stay afloat.

For example, right outside my district back in Texas floats the Battleship *Texas*, the last great dreadnought.

But maybe not for long.

Growing up, I always looked forward to visiting the Battleship.

My best friend and I would climb from top to bottom, firing every gun and squeezing down every port hole.

When commissioned in 1914 she was the most powerful war ship the world had ever seen.

She was the first of her kind to mount anti-aircraft guns, use commercial radar, and launch an aircraft.

As the flagship of the U.S. fleet, she battered the Nazi defenses during the D-Day invasion at Normandy and also helped the invasions of Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

Then, at the end of the war, she made three trips to bring American servicemen back home.

Today, she serves as a museum and a reminder of wars long past.

Nearly 70 years after school children used nickels and dimes to pay for her move to her namesake state, here she still floats, but maybe not for long.

The Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife has jurisdiction of the battle wagon, but state funding has been sporadic and federal funding non-existent.

That is where this amendment comes into play.

We owe it to the Texans who served to save the Battleship *Texas*.

This battleship, like so many battlefields and sacred, historical landmarks across our country, is consecrated with the blood of Americans.

Without the *Texas*, things might have gone a little bit differently for us at D-Day or in the Pacific Theater.

And that's just the way it is.

HONORING THE HEROIC MOYER
BROTHERS

HON. SEAN P. DUFFY

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Mr. DUFFY. Mr. Speaker, I proudly rise today to celebrate and commemorate the service of the seven Moyer brothers who fought in World War II. For a single family to send seven members to serve our nation in its time of need, they must have had a great love for America and what it stands for.

Franklin, Charles, Hile, James, Jay, Leonard, and Leslie, the children of Charles and Nina Moyer, were born and raised in Bass Lake Township, Washburn County. The brothers represented Wisconsin in almost every distinct branch of the military, serving in the Navy, Army, Merchant Marines, and Army Air Corps.

It is with great gratitude that I recognize these fine men who have made not only Wisconsin proud, but also the nation as a whole. Seven brothers. Seven stories. Seven immeasurable contributions to freedom, all from Wisconsin's 7th Congressional District.

On behalf of my family and Wisconsinites in every corner of our state, I would like to express my sincerest thanks to the Moyer brothers for their service to our nation when we needed them the most.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO DR. MACK
MORRIS ON 50 YEARS OF MIN-
ISTRY

HON. BRADLEY BYRNE

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Mr. BYRNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Dr. Mack Morris on his 50 years of min-

istry. Dr. Mack Morris currently serves as the Senior Pastor of Woodridge Baptist Church in Mobile, Alabama.

Dr. Morris, a native of Dothan, Alabama, has faithfully served the Lord, our local community, the people of Alabama, and beyond for over half a century. Dr. Morris felt the call of the Lord and surrendered to the ministry at Maple Avenue Baptist Church in Geneva, Alabama in 1967. He was licensed to preach at the White House Baptist Church in Bay Minette, Alabama in 1968.

Within his period of dedicated service, Dr. Morris was called and served faithfully at all the following churches in Alabama: White House Baptist, Bethel Baptist, Tillman's Corner Baptist, Heritage Baptist, Old Spanish Fort Baptist, Jubilee Baptist, and Woodridge Baptist. Dr. Morris has been a supportive, faithful, and loyal advocate for his community throughout his ministry.

Dr. Morris has served on the Alabama State Board of Missions and Executive Board of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, as Moderator of the Mobile Baptist Association, as the first president of the Board of Regents at the University of Mobile, and as a trustee at the University of Mobile for eleven years.

During his 50 years of ministry, Dr. Morris has spread the Word of the Lord and His Saving Grace by officiating over 165 weddings, conducting over 547 funerals, and has seen the salvation and baptism of over 2,500 men, women, and children.

On behalf of Alabama's First Congressional District and the countless people his ministry has impacted, I want to recognize and share my deep gratitude with Dr. Mack Morris for his tireless service to our community.

IN MEMORY OF CHESTER "CHET"
MORGAN

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a man I have been fortunate enough to call neighbor and friend. Chester "Chet" Morgan, of Vernon, Connecticut, left this earth on Saturday after a lifetime of service to his community, his state and his nation. I'd like to take a few moments to reflect on his generosity and service.

Born in Manchester, CT, Chet Morgan's selfless life was inspired by President John F. Kennedy's 1961 inaugural call to action in which he asked not what our country could do for us, but what we could do for our country. For not only his country, but also his state, town and family, Chet did a great many good works.

In addition to his career with the Connecticut Department of Transportation, Chet served as a sergeant major in the 169th Infantry Battalion of the Connecticut National Guard for 30 years. He spent several of those years as his unit's First Sergeant at Connecticut's National Guard headquarters in Hartford and retired at the rank of sergeant major. It seems this line of work was Chet's true vocation and in 2017 he was inducted into the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame for his years of service in and outside of the Guard.

Chet felt loyalty not only to his country, but to his state. In 1976 he was elected to the